

Watercolor Impressions

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This list contains the basics to get started. If you have more materials please feel free to bring them with you.

1. Paint

a. **One of the following color sets:**

- i. Yarka semi-moist 10 color set
- ii. Reeves 12 or 18 color set
- iii. Savoire-Faire 5 set
- iv. Pelikan transparent color 10 set
- v. Grumbacher 10 set
- vi. Better brands such as Winsor and Newton Cotman, Van Gogh, DaVinci, or Rembrandt.

b. **You must have 3 primary colors**

c. **Optional colors:**

- i. **Yellows:** Lemon (Hansa) Yellow, Winsor Yellow or Aureolin, New Gamboge Yellow or Cadmium Yellow Medium
- ii. **Blues:** Cobalt Blue, Phthalo Blue, Winsor Blue or Antwerp Blue, Ultramarine Blue, or French Ultramarine
- iii. **Reds:** Permanent (Quinacridon) Rose, or Permanent Alizarin Crimson, Scarlet Lake, Winsor Red or Vermillion Red.
- iv. **Secondary Colors:** Viridian, Sap Green or Hooker's Green, Permanent Mauve, Cobalt Violet.
- v. **Earth Colors:** Yellow Ochre, Burnt Sienna

2. Watercolor Paper

- a. Brands: for the beginner Strathmore Professional (brown cover) block, Canson Monteval pad is fine, Arches cold press is very good but more expensive.
- b. Recommended size: 9" x 12" – 12" x 16"

3. Brushes: Princeton Synthetic Round #4,6,10, Flat ½", 1" Wash

4. Palette Water color pallet by Holbein

5. Paper Support Robert E. Wood, Cloroplast, PlexiGlass or Masonite

6. Sketchbook 8.5" x 11" or just plain white paper

7. Drawing Tools and other items:

- a. 2B Drawing Pencil
- b. kneaded eraser
- c. pencil sharpener
- d. masking tape 1/2" wide / Bulldog spring clips
- e. Water container
- f. Spray bottle
- g. Paper Towel
- h. Razor Blade, Pocket knife, Credit card, pallet knife
- i. Kitchen salt
- j. Wax paper and Plasticwrap